REMARKS

Applicants have herewith re-presented the listing of claims in the Office Action response submitted August 19, 2003 to reflect the requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.121(c).

Applicants point out that the Power of Attorney and concomitant correspondence address for the present application was changed by letter and Revocation of Prior Powers mailed to the USPTO on March 21, 2002. A copy of this letter, Revocation and returned postcard acknowledging receipt is included for the Examiner's convenience. Please update the correspondence address accordingly.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, favorable reconsideration of claims 3-11 and removal of the stated rejection is respectfully sought. It is believed no fee is due with this Response. If a fee is due, please charge deposit account number 08-2442. If the Examiner has any questions, or if any information is needed to assist in expediting prosecution of the instant application, the undersigned attorney of record may be contacted at the number provided below.

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